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TO: MAG Commuter Rail Stakeholders

FROM: Kevin Wallace, Transit Program Manager

SUBJECT: MEETING NOTIFICATION AND TRANSMITTAL OF TENTATIVE AGENDA

Wednesday, March 25, 2009 – 1:00 p.m. (meeting sign-in at 12:45 p.m.)

Hilton Garden Inn

4000 N. Central Avenue, Phoenix

In cooperation with the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT), MAG will host a meeting of the Commuter Rail Stakeholders Group at the time and place noted above. The Stakeholders Group is comprised of stakeholders from throughout the planning area, including cities and towns, business organizations, transportation advocates, and other interested parties. Over the course of the next year, the Stakeholders Group will meet four times to review and provide input into the MAG commuter rail planning process. This meeting will update the Stakeholders on several rail studies being conducted by MAG and ADOT. Please see the attached agenda for additional information about the meeting.

Parking is available in the hotel parking lot east of the Hilton Garden Inn. Enter the parking lot from Clarendon Avenue. Bring your ticket to the hotel front desk to be validated. For those using transit, Valley Metro/RPTA will provide transit tickets for your trip.

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If you have any questions, please contact Kevin Wallace, MAG Transit Program Manager, at (602) 254-6300 or by email at kwallace@mag.maricopa.gov.

TENTATIVE AGENDA

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Welcome by City of Phoenix Vice-Mayor Tom Simplot Welcome/General Overview from MAG ADOT Presentation: Statewide Rail Framework Overview
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 MAG Presentation - Kevin Wallace, MAG and Kammy Horne, URS Background and Context of Commuter Rail Regional Planning 1. Recent and Ongoing Planning Efforts including the MAG Commuter Rail Strategic Plan 2. Relationship of MAG Commuter Rail Projects to ADOT Rail Framework MAG Commuter Rail Project Scopes and Objectives 1. System Study 2. Corridor Development Plans: Grand Avenue and Yuma West
Q&A- Panel of 6 speakers, Facilitated by David Schwartz and Kristin Bornstein
Open House MAG and ADOT staff available to answer questions Available for review and input: -Maps of Commuter Rail System and Corridor Studies -Draft Commuter Rail Study Goals
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